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ANGOLAN REFUGEES: SITREP JANUARY 20

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1. OFFICIALS HAVE ANNOUNCED IN WALVIS BAY THAT AN ADDITIONAL 400 REFUGEES WHO HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PROVE PORTUGUESE CITIZENSHIP WILL BE ALLOWED ASHORE JANUARY 21 TO BE REPATRIATED TO PORTUGAL. CAPTAIN OF SILVER SKY REPORTEDLY HAS BEEN ORDERED BY SOUTH AFRICAN OFFICIALS TO TAKE BALANCE OF NON-PORTUGUESE REFUGEES BACK TO ANGOLA. HARBOR OFFICIAL TOLD PRESS THAT "IT WAS THE CABINET'S DECISION THAT THEY GO BACK AND WE ONLY PASSED ON THE ORDERZ THUS FAR CAPTAIN HAS REFUSED TO LEAVE ANCHORAGE, MAINTAINING THAT TO DO SO WOULD MEAN DEATH FOR REFUGEES. REPRESENTATIVE OF INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS, NICHOLAS DE ROUGEMENT, WHO WAS IN WALVIS TO ASSESS SITUATION, SAID HE IS HOPEFUL THAT SAG WILL NOT

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IMPLEMENT ORDER TO LEAVE. HE IS QUOTED AS SAYING, "I FEEL

IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THEY WILL NOT SEND THE ANGOLANS BACK.  
I BELIEVE THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT IS STILL DISCUSSING  
THE POSITION."

2. PRESS REPORTS FROM WALVIS BAY CONTAIN FURTHER REFUGEE  
ACCOUNTS OF FIGHTING BETWEEN UNITA AND FNLA FORCES IN  
MOCAMEDES AREA. DAVID PARSONS,WHO RAN MISSION STATION  
NEAR MOCAMEDES, SAID COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO GROUPS  
HAD ALWAYS BEEN SUPERFICIAL, AND THAT THE ONLY PEOPLE NOW  
LEFT IN THE CITY ARE UNITA-SUPPORTING BLACKS. OTHER REFUGEES  
TOLD PRESS OF ALLEGED THREATS THAT UNITA WOULD KILL ALL  
WHITES REMAINING IN MOCAMEDES.

3. NO ADDITIONAL REFUGEE SHIPS HAVE ARRIVED IN WALVIS BAY.  
HARBOR OFFICIALS SAID THAT REPORTS THAT MORE FISHING BOATS  
CARRYING REFUGEES ARE ON THE WAY WERE "PROBABLY FABRICATED  
RUMOR."  
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